

GARY WANTS A MUNICIPAL COURT

Say That 60 per cent of Gary's Cases Could Be Tried at Home Giving Proper Jurisdiction

The lawyers of Gary, regardless of the affected optimism of certain newspapers, are now thoroughly convinced that the court fight is lost, irretrievably lost. It is not a pleasant conclusion to reach in view of the bitterness of the fight and splendid efforts that were made by the business men of Gary to win it.

As one Gary lawyer put it, "There is no use of our trying to jolly ourselves into the belief that we have a chance yet to win when the cold facts are that there isn't a ghost of a show."

"A lot of us have been afraid to admit the truth. It isn't a Gary trait to admit defeat, but there is another side to the question. There is a lot of business which originates in Gary which

could very nicely be handled by a municipal court of increased jurisdiction.

FAVOR MUNICIPAL COURT.

"Such a court would give us all the relief we need at the present time. Most of the business that originates here is mechanic's liens and other civil cases that could be tried in a court, say of jurisdiction up to \$1,000. Criminal cases of a petty nature could be appealed from the justice courts to such a court and obviate the necessity of their appeal to the Lake Superior and Lake Circuit courts."

"The proposition in a nut shell is that we have reached the point where the 'no compromise, a superior court or nothing' attitude is ridiculous. Suppose we conceded defeat in the effort to locate a superior court in Gary and then bend our efforts towards securing a municipal court, the chances are that we can make some headway."

"The legislators at the state capital

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MISS VIRGINIA BROOKS, WEST HAMMOND'S
JOAN OF ARC INSTRUCTING VOTERS FROM STUMP;
CLERK IGNATZ MANKOWSKI MARKED WITH CROSS.



WAS IT CASE OF MURDER, ASK PEOPLE?

The body of J. Lish, which was found dead near Douglas Park last Wednesday, was taken to Chicago, today, where it will be held for several days before it will be buried. Hammond Jews made up a fund to defray the burial expenses. They raised the question as to the manner of Lish's death, and take the position that he was murdered, whereas the popular impression at first was that he committed suicide. Abe Cohen of the Hub clothing store said today:

"It is highly probable that the man was murdered. I am not saying that the man was a Jew, nor will he be buried according to the Jewish rites, or religion. The Jewish religion teaches us that we are to bury any man who is found dead and for whose body there are no claimants. So the question whether this man was a Jew or not did not enter into this matter. If he were a Jew and had committed suicide he would be considered beyond the pale of our religion. But the point I want to make is that the man was murdered. The bullet entered the head almost from the back, a very unusual position for a suicide to take. The revolver had two empty chambers, whereas there was one bullet wound. The hair of the head was not powder burned. The note in his clothes was unsigned, and I am told there was no pencil in his pocket. And why would a man who wanted to commit suicide and found himself all alone, far away from any houses, want to put his overcoat over his head so as to muffle the sound?"

Coroner E. M. Shanklin has not yet given his verdict in the case.

HAMMOND'S BOYVILLE QUIESCENT AT PRESENT

Hammond's Boyville is not very active these days, and while the organization is still intact no work along the original lines is being done.

Those who have studied the movement are convinced that it has some very desirable features about it, but, on the other hand, it apparently needs a specialist to keep it going as originally intended. But in as much as one of the primary objects was to give the boys of the city some health exercises, this phase of Boyville will not be lost sight of.

Prof. Buck, the physical instructor in the Hammond public schools, has plans now according to which the boys are to have plenty of athletic training, the incentive for this being the establishment of friendly rivalry among the boys of the various schools.

YOUNG FARMER MAY DIE AS RESULT OF INJURIES

Verne Dyer, Brother of Mrs. W. L. Allman of Crown Point, Badly Hurt.

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Lowell, Ind., Feb. 1.—Verne Dyer, a popular young farmer living west of Lowell met with a severe accident that will probably leave his face marked for life. He and his brother Clyde were driving in a rig near Schneider, when the horses became frightened at a train, and began rearing and plunging. The pole of the vehicle came loose from the neck yoke and fell to the ground, and was broken and splintered in the center by the horses trying to run. Mr. Dyer was jerked from the vehicle and fell with his face on the broken pole, and a jagged point ran in his face fearfully lacerating it and causing a dangerous wound. He was taken to a Chicago hospital as soon as possible where it was first thought he could not live, but later the surgeons thought he might recover. His condition is critical. Mr. Dyer is a brother of Mrs. W. L. Allman wife of the Crown Point banker.

NEW CASES IN CIRCUIT COURT

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Crown Point, Ind., Feb. 1.—The following new cases have been filed in the circuit court here:

Charles Ushafer vs. Mike Wassell et al. Foreclosure mechanics' lien.
Wacker & Birk Brewing & Malting Co., a corporation, vs. Joseph Morris, Civil.

John Berndt vs. John Peter Schinmelo et al. Quiet title.
Berghoff Brewing Co. vs. George Walcis, Civil.

The Gary Trust & Savings bank, a corporation, administrator of estate of Mary Csargo, deceased, late of Lake county, Indiana, vs. City of Gary, Lake county, Indiana. Personal injury.
Neil Brown vs. S. R. Childs et al. Quiet title.

IF YOU THINK THAT THE TIMES IS TRYING TO GIVE YOU THE NEWS, YOUR SUBSCRIPTION WILL BE APPRECIATED.

VILLAGE IS TO BECOME CITY IN MAY

West Hammond Taxpayers Decide That They Want Municipality Instead of Village; Forces of Reform Are Active.

WHAT THEY SAID.

"We want to express our belief that THE TIMES' editorial last Thursday did more to bring about a change in public opinion in favor of clean city government than any one thing. We know that it influenced a lot of Polish citizens that the time has come for city government. The influence that your paper wields over here is powerful, because the people know that it always fights for things that are right."

WEST HAMMOND TAXPAYERS.
"It's one apiece now. He who laughs last laughs best. The fact that we have lost the election this time will not prevent us from proceeding with our investigation."

MISS VIRGINIA BROOKS.
"I told you so. Miss Brooks had two deputy sheriffs out here to watch the election, and we surely can't be accused of having stolen the ballots or stuffed the ballot box this time."

MARTIN H. FINNERMAN.
"I am confident that the result of the election will work out to the advantage of the people of West Hammond."

JUDGE FRANK GREEN.

HOW VOTE STOOD.

For city form of government.....227
Against city form of government.....196
Ballots mutilated.....84
Majority for city form.....31
Against minority representation in the city council.....101
For minority representation in the city council.....114
Majority against.....287
Miss Virginia Brooks, who for two months was one of the main springs in a hot municipal campaign in West Hammond, met defeat yesterday at the

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HAMMOND MAN TO MAKE AUTOMOBILES

The Betz 1911 model will be placed on the market with in a few weeks. For months the work of designing an automobile that will have most of the advantages of the higher priced cars and yet will be manufactured to sell for \$750 has been carried on by Irving Betz, the son of Frank S. Betz of Hammond. The new car is to be a wonder, and the fact that Betz has proven his ability to undersell all competitors in other lines of trade convinces those who have studied the matter that he will be able to place a car on the market that will represent a greater value at the price than any other car made.

There is probably no greater authority on automobiles in this part of the country than Irving Betz. Some time ago he went to Detroit and worked for several months in the assembling department of a large automobile company.

Designed by Irving Betz.
Before he left he was regarded as one of the best men in the business. For years he has made a study of the question of building an efficient car at a reasonable price.
He realizes that there are certain essentials in the manufacture of a car which guarantee its efficiency. All of

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MERCHANTS, BE VIGILANT

The merchants and business men of Hammond are advised by the Postoffice Department to look out for certain money orders that have been stolen from a village down state. The numbers are 11,968 to 12,000 inclusive.
It is expected that an effort will be made by the thieves who took them to secure some money by forging them. It is for the purpose of warning the merchants that the numbers of the money orders taken is made public.

LATEST NEWS

New York, Feb. 1.—With as little ceremony as the manager of some small business employed on a \$100 a month salary, President William E. Corey of the United States Steel Corporation, the largest company in the world, turned over control of the great property to James A. Farrell, his successor. There was no fuss and no speeches. Mr. Corey tendered his resignation at the meeting of the directors. It was accepted and Mr. Farrell was elected. Mr. Corey went down in the elevator and President Farrell went into his office.

Valparaiso, Ind., Feb. 1.—Judge Tuthill, sitting in Superior Court chambers yesterday afternoon, set Wednesday, Feb. 8, to begin the trial of Jacob Walters, a wealthy hotel owner and real estate man charged with slaying Alvin Johnson of Wren, O., superintendent of Anderson & Co.'s mills at Kouts, Friday morning, Dec. 16. Walters was indicted for murder in the first degree.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 1.—In order to disprove the statements of a surgeon who had operated on him and whom he is suing for \$50,000 for alleged malpractice, to the effect that he is afflicted with an internal cancer, Henry Christie, a merchant, will go on the operating table in a Los Angeles hospital late today and have his diaphragm laid open for the inspection of Judge Houser of the Superior court.

Presidio, Tex., Feb. 1.—Outgeneral and defeated with more than one hundred soldiers killed in battle, the federal forces of Gen. Luque are divided and cooped up in the towns of Ojinaga and Cuchillo Parrado. The insurgents occupy every road leading into both towns and will not permit provisions or forage to be carried in.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—A bomb, entered on the police records as "No. 55 Black Hand," was exploded early today. It endangered the lives of three families, wrecked the business house and home of Bartolomeo Scaruzzo, 1901 South Clark street, and threw hundreds living in the vicinity into a state of terror.

Warrensburg, Mo., Feb. 1.—Secreted in tin cans, old trunks and closets, more than \$6,000 in gold and silver coin was found in a house until recently occupied by J. H. Ronemus and his wife, aged recluses, six miles southeast of here yesterday. They died within a few hours of each other last week and were buried in the same grave. They lived apart from their neighbors and it was generally supposed the couple had little money. No heirs have appeared to claim the estate.

Washington, Feb. 1.—San Francisco won the big canal show privilege in the House of Representatives today after an exciting scramble, in which the packed galleries had an enthusiastic part—the "gallery gods" being allowed to blow off steam without interruption.

WAR GOVERNOR IS VERY ILL IN PARIS.



"War Governor" William Sprague is ill in Paris, and his death may be expected at any time. Mr. Sprague served two terms in the U. S. Senate, and was Governor of Rhode Island from 1880 to 1883. He is eighty-one years old. He was active in raising troops for the civil war, and went to Washington with the first troops from Rhode Island. He participated in the first battle of Bull Run, and served throughout the Peninsular campaign.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Crown Point, Ind., Feb. 1.—The following marriage licenses have been issued here:

William B. Potter, Chicago; Minnie Bishop, Chicago; Richard D. Bahlhatchet, Chicago; Lillian Breen, Chicago; Gustave Wischman, Chicago; Hattie J. Shawcross, Chicago; George A. Keck, Chicago; Leone Carroll, Chicago; Barney Wetzel, Waukegan, Ill.; Frances Mills, Waukegan, Ill.; Lewis H. Hillman, Chicago; Frances Kelley, Chicago; Arthur Zander, Chicago; Elsie Huettel, Chicago; Peter F. Orphy, Hammond; Gertrude M. Dahlen, Hammond; Wilhelmine Dahme, Chicago; Mary W. Jackson, Chicago.

CITY OFFICIAL HITS AT ASSEMBLYMEN.



Mayor Shank.

Mayor Lew Shank, of Indianapolis, stirred up quite a fuss in the Indiana Legislature last week, when he was quoted in an interview as having declared the raising of the tenderloin lid in his city was all done by members of the Legislature. S. B. Wells, member of the Assembly from Scottsburg, is said to have prepared a resolution to be introduced in the Legislature, calling upon the mayor to make good his charges. Monday he failed to introduce the measure, and denied that he had prepared any such resolution.

NEW WELL WILL GIVE THEM RELIEF

The vari-colored drinking water of which the employees in the Gibson offices complain has apparently led them to the conclusion that they were being supplied with the sewage from the Calumet river. This impression, however, is an erroneous one, according to C. A. Taylor, the Indiana Harbor Belt local agent at the pump office. Mr. Taylor stated this morning that the water which is supplied the office forces is Lake Michigan water, explaining that the company had its own private water main and also connection with the Hammond city water mains.

He also said that the company expected, beginning today, to use well water from a well which had been purposely driven to procure drinking water. Mr. Taylor did not deny that it had been customary to haul the drinking water in the engine tenders, which probably accounts for its color and taste.

The explanation, however, does not remove the objection which the employees made, to the effect that they were practically compelled to buy the drinking water unless they felt like putting up with water from the engine tenders.

Dr. W. D. Weiss, secretary of the board of health, said yesterday that he was aware of the water situation in Gibson, and that he had had the matter up with officials repeatedly, but that there is no provision in the law under which they can be prosecuted.

CIRCUIT COURT JURY CHOSEN AT THE HUB

Six Members of Body Are Selected From North Township.

(Special to THE TIMES.)
Crown Point, Ind., Feb. 1.—The following jurors have been impaneled to serve during the session of the February term of court to convene next Monday. These men will have cases to try on the crowded docket for that coming term:

Richard Jenkins, East Chicago.
August Johnson, East Chicago.
Merrill Kelsey, Lowell.
Mike Fleck, Hobart.
Peter Lauerman, St. John.
Harvey Blakeman, Winfield.
Dahl Sherman, Center.
Louis Reeder, Center.
James L. Dibbler, Hammond.
Robert Atchison, Hammond.
Harry Minas, Hammond.
John Krudup, Hammond.

Holy Communion.

Tomorrow being the feast of the purification of the Virgin Mary, there will be a celebration of the holy communion in St. Paul's Episcopal church at 7.30. Morning prayer will be said at 9 o'clock.

If you smoke a LaVador once you will always call for them.